

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Palmetto State is blessed with a richly diverse cultural past which has given rise to many historical sites and treasures that enhance heritage tourism for residents and visitors alike; and

WHEREAS, historic preservation presents an effective means of safeguarding notable artifacts, structures and places, including houses, churches, battlefields, schools and other sites, while maintaining native character, promoting community pride, and honoring the people who contributed so much to our shared legacy; and

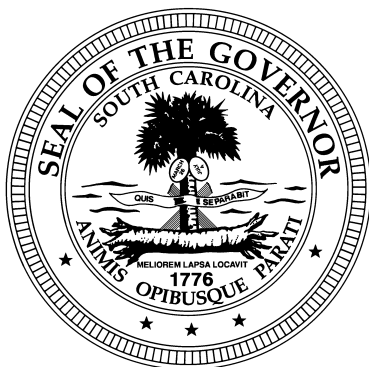
WHEREAS, heritage tourism provides an avenue to personally experience the roots of our culture by exploring protected and restored historic sites across our state and nation; and

WHEREAS, the 2004 observance of Historic Preservation Week and Tourism Week provides a special opportunity to call attention to the many memorable travel destinations in the Palmetto State.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 3 – 16, 2004, as

HISTORIC PRESERVATION WEEK AND TOURISM WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise awareness of the importance of protecting our unique heritage to our quality of life



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MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA